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SUBJECT Reconstruction of the Former Tractor Plant.  
in Orel

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THIS IS UNEVALUATED INFORMATION

1. The former tractor plant was on the Moskovskaya ulitsa in Orel (36°00'N/52°55'N), about 800 meters east of the main station. [ ] called this plant the "tank plant" and, [ ] this plant was designated "Zavod 9". The plant was destroyed during the war. In 1946 production was resumed in part of the plant. The plant was allegedly a repair shop for German armored reconnaissance cars during the war. The estimated size of the plant was 250 x 400 meters. \*
2. After 1946, [ ] groups of 50 to 100 four-wheeled, freshly painted armored reconnaissance cars leaving the plant and moving west on the Moskovskaya ulitsa. The monthly output of these cars was reported to be 150 to 200 units. It was rumored that the plant started production of a new type of armored reconnaissance cars in 1947 and 1948. [ ] the plant produced only tank parts, such as bogie wheels, tank tracks and cylinder pistons.
3. In addition to numerous German machine tools, [ ] observed large quantities of aluminum plates and bars during unloading and transportation work in 1947 and 1948. [ ] the production of this plant was converted to the construction of parts for tanks, tractors and airplanes. [ ] believed the plant to be a foundry and a factory for semi-finished armament products.
4. Power was supplied by an expanded power plant located about 700 meters northeast of the plant. [ ] a plant-owned power plant. The number of employees was estimated to be 400 to 600. Work was done in one shift during 1947 and 1948. \*\*
- \* [ ] Comment. For location and layout sketches of the plant see Annexes 1 and 2. Annex 1 is based on information supplied by six sources while Annex 2 is based on information supplied [ ]
- \*\* [ ] Comment. It is possible that the plant was only temporarily assigned to the repair of armored reconnaissance cars. The production of spare parts for tanks and tractors may be resumed after the completion of the reequipment and reconversion of the plant which was observed by [ ] The production of spare parts for airplanes is believed improbable.

2 Annexes: 2 sketches on ditto

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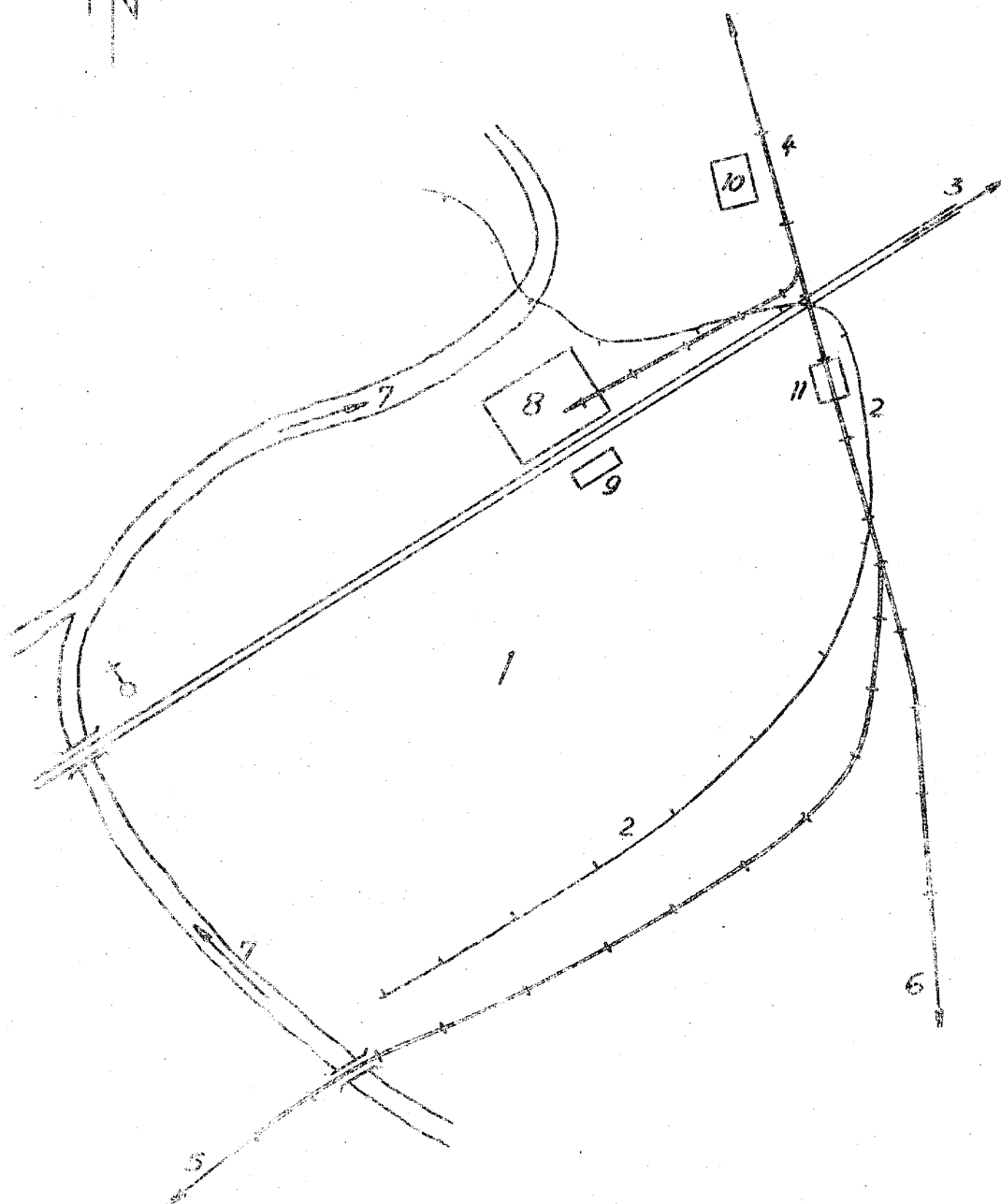
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Location of the former Tractor Plant in Orel

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Legend:

1. Orel town area.
2. Outskirts of Orel.
3. Moskovskaya Ulitsa, highway to Moscow.
4. Railroad line to Moscow.
5. Railroad line to Bryansk (53°15'N/34°20'E).
6. Railroad line to Kursk (51°42'N/36°12'E).
7. Oka River.
8. Former tractor plant, now called "tank plant".
9. Barracks installations.
10. Power plant.
11. Railroad station.

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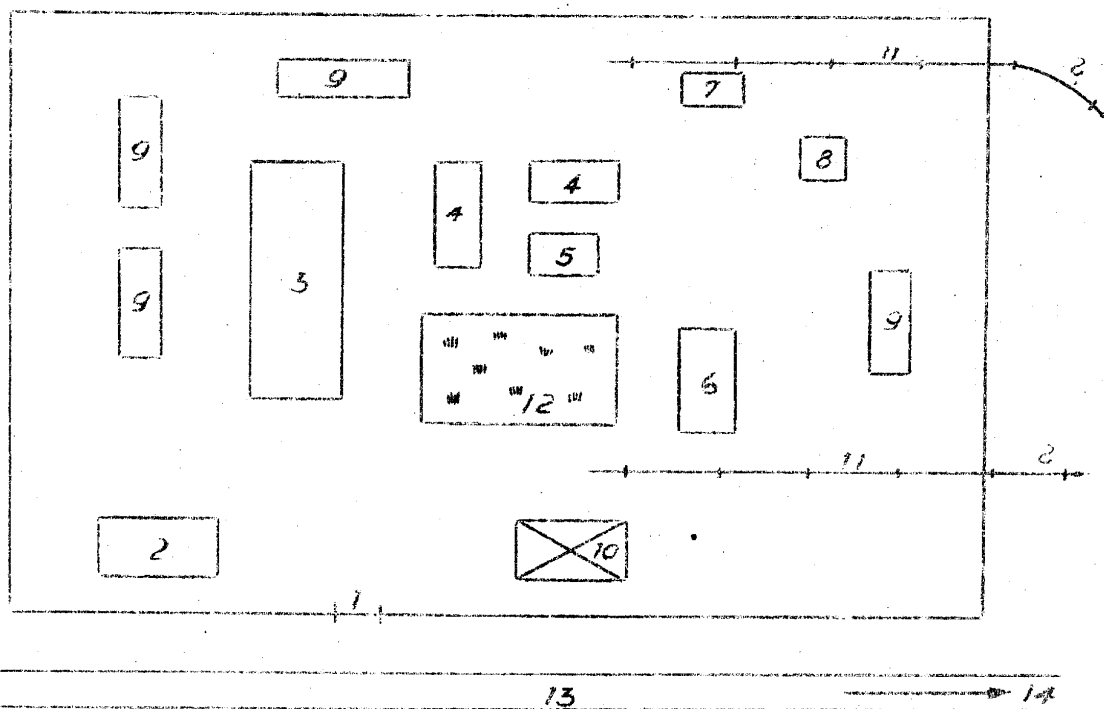
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Layout Sketch of the Former Tractor Plant in Orel.



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Legend:

1. Administration building.
2. Mechanical departments.
3. Foundries.
4. Workshop for cleaning of castings.
5. Forge.
6. Filling station for automobiles.
7. Heating plant. According to [ ] this was a power plant.
8. Storage sheds.
9. Destroyed building.
10. Spur tracks. It is not known whether the spur tracks run in the northern or southern section of the plant.
11. Factory park.
12. Moskovskaya ulitsa.
13. 700 to 800 meters to the main railroad station.

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